Appl. No. 10/758,704 Amdt. Dated January 6, 2005 Reply to Office Action of November 29, 2004

Attorney Docket No. 81752.0153 Customer No.: 26021

## REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 76-92 are pending in the application. Such claims having been allowed, this amendment is being filed in response to the requirements set forth in the Office Action of November 29, 2004, which closes prosecution on the merits in accordance with Ex Parte Quayle.

In paragraph 1 on page 2 of the Office Action, claims 76-92 are indicated as being allowed over the prior art of record.

In paragraph 1A on page 2 of the Office Action, the abstract is objected to as not being drawn to the invention being claimed. Correction is required. In response, applicant is submitting a new abstract which is drawn to the invention being claimed. Therefore, this requirement has been complied with.

In paragraph 1B on page 2 of the Office Action, the statement is made that the applicant should update the cross reference to related application Serial No. 09/382,499. In response, applicant is replacing the paragraph which cross references the related application with an amended paragraph which sets forth the issue date and the patent number of such application. Consequently, this requirement has been complied with.

In paragraph 1C on page 2 of the Office Action, a new title is required that is clearly indicative of the invention to which the claims are directed. In response, applicant is amending the title so that it is clearly indicative of the invention to which the claims are directed. As so amended, the amended title reads: IMAGE FORMING DEVICE WHICH DETERMINES IF THE NUMBER OF LINES TO BE FORMED AFTER CONVERTING IMAGE DATA EXCEEDS A PREDETERMINED LINE COUNT. Such new title is clearly indicative of the invention to which the claims are directed.

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In conclusion, all claims pending in the application have been allowed and the requirements set forth in the Office Action of November 29, 2004 have been complied with. Therefore, reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

If for any reason the Examiner finds the application other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned attorney at the Los Angeles, California telephone number (213) 337-6700 to discuss the steps necessary for placing the application in condition for allowance.

If there are any fees due in connection with the filing of this response, please charge the fees to our Deposit Account No. 50-1314.

Respectfully submitted,

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